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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of: ) **CONFIRMATION NO.: 2723**  
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 **Wataru SASAKI et al.** )  
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 U.S. Serial No.: 09/938,583 ) **Group Art Unit: 2155**  
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 Filed: August 27, 2001 ) **Examiner: B. Bruckart**  
  
 For: **PUSH TYPE SCANNER APPARATUS AND IMAGE DATA TRANSMITTING  
 AND RECEIVING SYSTEM**

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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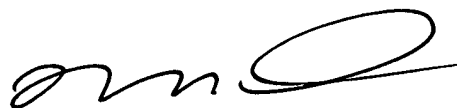
Sir:

A reply to the Office Action of June 6, 2005 was set to be due by September 6, 2005. By this timely reply, claims 1 and 6-9 are elected for further prosecution.

Non-elected claims 10-15 already have been made the subject matter of a divisional application filed July 27, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,  
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